

bringing to the last owner all accumulations. The Court below sustained this plea, overruled demurrer to it and gave judgment for the defendants. From

the judgment the defendant, holding, that the action was correctly brought in the name of the plaintiff in error, and that he was entitled to the damages by reason of the fact that the plaintiff was the sole party in interest for the territorial districts in question, and that the correct theory of the law was that the plaintiff was the party in the name of the party or parties in interest at the time the damages accrued and in the name of the parties owning the patent when the action was brought. Justice Chief delivered the opinion of the Court.

**NEW JERSEY INTELLIGENCE.**

**Jersey City.**

**FIRE IN AN OIL FACTORY.**—About seven o'clock last evening a fire, occasioned by the overflow of oil into a fire, broke out at the factory of J. & C. Moore, in Morris street. Fortunately none of the highly flaying around was inflamed, or any of the machinery were burned, beyond the pulling down of the framework by the firemen no loss was incurred.

**Hoboken.**

THE HOBOKEN FLATS were so inundated yesterday morning, that in many places men had to wade to and from their wretched cribs in the meadows. The plank road leading to the hill, was almost entirely submerged, so that foot passengers were cut off from the route.

**CURIOUS FEARS OF A POLICE OFFICER.**—Some time ago certain charges were preferred by Mr. Peter Kerrigan against police officer Richards, and the case being investigated by a committee of the Common Council, he was found guilty on some of the charges and called on to appear for reprimand at the following meeting of the Common Council. As it was supposed a full suspension would follow, he was agreeably surprised when the Council decided that he was to be reprimanded, upon his mind that he became quite excitable on Monday. About eleven o'clock at night he became boisterous, and taking to the streets, he was arrested by the police, and apparently enjoying the "sport" as he termed it. The neighbors who heard the reports, rushed to his house and quite a mob was created in the neighborhood. At the announcement that a policeman had shot himself. But Richards had not the least intention of so doing. At the same time, the mob was so large that it was feared the Common Council came to act upon it.

**Bergen City.**

**THE WATER PIPE CONTRACT.** At the meeting of the Bergen Common Council on Monday evening a communication was presented from the Water Commissioners, enclosing the proposals for furnishing water pipe to the city, as follows:—G. W. Downing, \$120,000; Kent, \$27,430; D. & S. Parish, iron pipe, \$120,000; \$125,430; Kistner & Halladay, iron pipe, \$135,000; G.

H. Norman, cement pipe, \$14,000; A. Stinson, cement pipe, \$14,000; J. S. Smith's Sons, cement pipe, \$14,000; American Water and Gas Pipe Company, cement pipe, \$87,250. The Commissioners recommended acceptance of all bids at the above prices. The bids were opened at 9 o'clock and the award was made by public sale. The bids were all accepted, but the entire proposals were ultimately referred to the Committee on Fire and Water, with power to accept or reject the bid.

**Newark.**

**OPENING OF THE ESSEX COUNTY COURTS.**—The January term of the Essex county Oyer and Terminer commenced yesterday. On the bench were Judge Deane, presiding, and Associate Justices, Teese, Isaacs, Gould and Williams. After the swearing in of the Grand Jury, with Mr. Isaac J. Everett, of Orange, as foreman, Judge Deane proceeded in the delivery of the usual charge, which ran out to an unusual length. The Judge opened by paying considerable attention to the number of arrests made during the last few months on charges of illegal voting and other violations of the election laws, and also to the fact that the state has been so much interested in the case of the late Governor. He then went on to show where the remedy lay, so that the purity of the ballot might be maintained. He said that the Grand Jury had certainly large powers in the premises, and he desired to refer to some of them. Then the Judge proceeded to body to see that no person who had been convicted of a crime in the community, in the course of which he mentioned the shooting of the young man on the occasion of a political meeting, Moneyath v. Moneyath, Jr., and the mysterious death of George Rice, lately recently. In connection with these cases alluded to, he said that the Grand Jury had certain responsibility, and for the highest offence unless there appeared no ground for conviction in the grades of

**RETIREDMENT OF THE OLD AND ORGANIZATION OF THE NEW BOARD COMMON COUNCIL.**—THE MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE.—In the next Council chamber of the City Hall, Newark, last evening, the last meeting of the old Board of Councilmen and the organization of the new took place, in presence of quite a goodly number of citizens, including a sprinkling of ladies. The meeting was called to order shortly before eight o'clock by the President, Alderman Daniel W. Baker. After the swearing in of the members comprising the new Board and the reading of the minutes of the last meeting the old Board adjourned sine die.

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200,000 gallons each. It is expected that the work will be completed some time in the coming summer. The city has just received an adjournment of the board of health, and the members of the old and new boards repaired to Dramatic Hall, and there enjoyed a capital dinner.

**Trenton.**

**MAYOR'S REPORT.**—Mayor Napton reports the following arrests as having been made in this city during the last month:—Disorderly, 21; drunk, 21; petty larceny, 9; malicious mischief, 1; atrocious assault, 1; carrying a dangerous weapon, 1; carrying a pistol, 1; false alarm, 8; suspicion, 1; violation of ordinance, 1. Total, 60.

**DEDICATION OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL.**—The new public schoolhouse in Union street was dedicated on Monday evening in a very entertaining manner. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Sheppard, Judge H. C. Smith, and Dr. J. H. Smith. The building is built of brick, capable of accommodating 250 pupils and cost about \$20,000.

**CITY MAGNATES IN TOWN.**—Governor Ward is in town almost daily, housed in the Executive chamber, preparing his message to the Legislature, which convenes on Tuesday next. The Governor has been in the State House and at the opera since last spring, after inspecting the various departments expressed himself much pleased with the state of affairs in the institution. Several convicts in whose behalf efforts have been made to procure their pardon, ventured to supplicate him to exert his influence in their behalf. The Governor and the Governor Ward on being interrogated concerning the forthcoming inauguration of his successor, observed that the inauguration of a new Governor would be a very unceremonious with unusual display. Theodore F. Rausch, Governor elect, visited this city on Monday evening and occupied his rooms in the State Hotel. He is a native of England, and is a member of the respective United States Senate from this district, ex-Governor Parker and Mr. Souder, of this city, had the honor to call on him, and make the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor.

**THE MURDER.**

**Conclusion of the Coroner's Inquest—Verdict of the Jury.**

The inquest on the body of John Panschel was concluded yesterday afternoon. The testimony of two doctors was taken, which merely went to show that Panschel died from the effects of a heavy blow on the breast. Officer Kivlen was also examined, who stated that he found in the house of Hausmann a large hammer which had been hidden by some of the inmates. The jury, after a short deliberation, returned a verdict that deceased had come to his death by blows received from certain persons, the principal of whom was Harry Hausmann, and the chief accessory was Emil Hausmann. These two men were therefore committed, without bail, to the county jail. Henry Boller was committed to prison as a witness, and Harry Gerold was held to bail in the sum of \$2,000 as another witness.